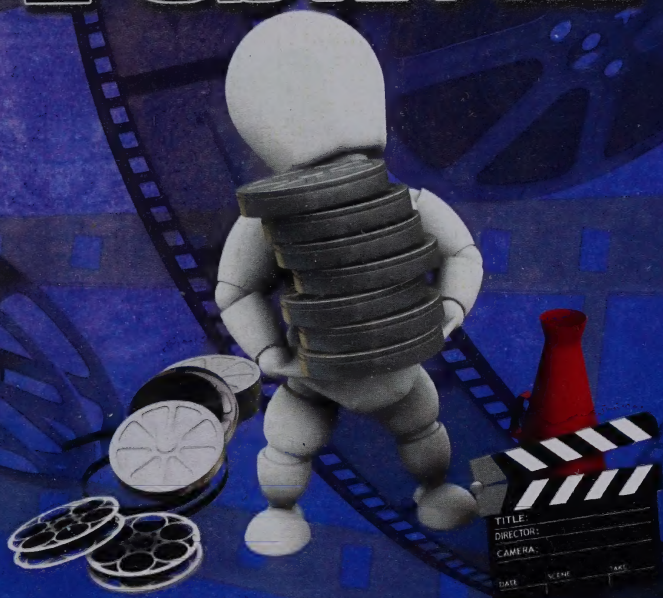


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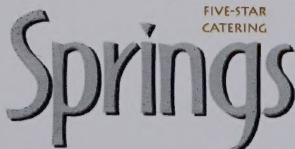
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TO THE 9TH ANNUAL PIKES PEAK FILM FESTIVAL

In case you hadn't noticed, the Pikes Peak Lavender Film Festival has made some significant changes. We are excited to move to the Colorado College campus, the Alma Mater of our director. Our new venue accords us more freedom at less cost. We are particularly grateful to Colorado College for allowing us to use the brand new screening room at the Edith Kinney Gaylord Cornerstone Arts Center for our first two films on Saturday and Sunday. We have another great selection of wonderful films and parties so we hope you'll give yourself a break from the bustle of Fall work and enjoy this gem of a festival that is now matured to be nine years old. Our survival as the only LGBT film festival in Colorado continues to astound us.

Film festivals are expensive to produce and no festival can survive without generous community support from our sponsors. We feel particularly fortunate to have added the Astraea Lesbian Foundation and the Colorado Council on the Arts to our support. These grantors enable us to enliven our festival by allowing us to bring in three directors: Kyle Schickner (*Steam*), D. Lee Inosanto (*The Sensei*), and Yen Tan (*Ciao*) and actresses Kate Siegel and Gina Scalzi. There will be opportunities to dialogue with our special guests at a luncheon on Saturday, in Q & A's after the films, at after-parties, and between films throughout the weekend. Welcome Kate, Kyle, Yen, D. Lee and Gina. We're thrilled to have you!

We're gradually moving away from the festival being too dependent upon one person and seek to expand our Board of Producers in the year ahead, so here is a shout-out to anyone interested in participating. Everyone is welcome. If you're interested in producing PPLFF, let us know on the evaluation forms or talk to one of the current producers. It's a challenging, interesting, and worthwhile volunteer opportunity and we would love to have you!

We've put together a great line-up that includes three films about young people, a period piece set in apartheid South Africa, and thriller shot in Turkey and Germany. We are pleased in this election year when Colorado has emerged as a battleground state, to have our first short produced in Colorado Springs (*By the Way, Bob*) and our first feature filmed in Colorado, *The Sensei*, in our Colorado Filmmakers Program on Saturday. Our films validate LGBT people, increase insights and understandings and enrich our beliefs in the commonality of all humans. Our festival reinforces the importance of community and our interconnectedness.

Once again, thank you to Colorado College, to our wonderful sponsors, to our Colorado Springs community, and to anyone who traveled to be here in our audience, for bringing us to our ninth successful year. We look forward to sharing wonderful weekends with you for many years to come. We hope you enjoy the festival!!!

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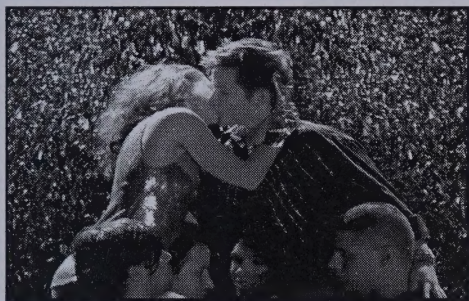
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6:00 p.m.: Gala Catered Reception, complimentary beer & wine

7:30 p.m.: Welcome by Representative Michael Merrifield
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8:00 p.m.: Short Film: How

Do I Say This? I'm Gay!

*directed by Michael Bodie and
Silas Howard (USA, 2007, 5 min.)*

A college student decides upon a song and dance as her way of coming out to her mother.

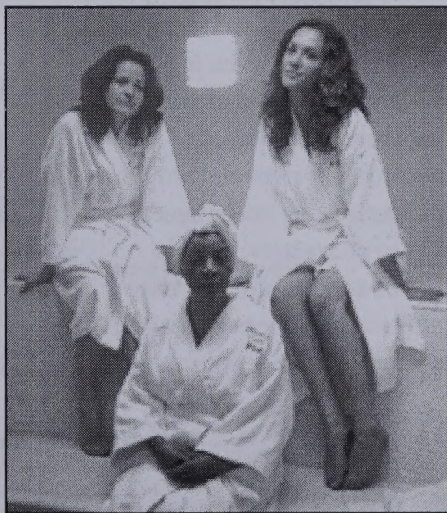
college lesbian breaking free from her conservative family's strict hold. All three experience hardship and heartache, but find confidence and strength from their periodic commiseration in a steam room.

Steam speaks to the universality of the human experience and the resilient spirit that allows us to emerge triumphant. Director Kyle Schickner and Kate Siegel in attendance.

Feature Film: Steam

directed by Kyle Schickner (USA, 2007, 120 min)

With star-studded ensemble performances of men and women, *Steam* follows three women whose lives are very different, but who all find love in unexpected places. Ally Sheedy is a single mother struggling to find her voice; the legendary Ruby Dee plays a widow who is rejuvenated by a late-life romance; and Kate Siegel is a



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Special Guests: D. Lee Inosanto, Kyle Schickner, Kate Siegel and Yen Tan
Audience members can purchase lunch and join the conversation.

****First two film programs in the Screening room at the Edith Kinney Gaylord Cornerstone Arts Center, (S.E. corner of Cascade and Cache La Poudre) Festival Pass holders will be seated first.**

12:45 p.m.: Short

Film: Look Again

directed by Jennifer Lin (USA, 2007, 7min.)

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expectations at the door in this look at the immigration problems faced by a same-sex couple.

Feature Film: The Edge of Heaven (Auf der anderen Seite)

Directed by Faith Akin (Germany, 2007, 122 min.)

Set in Germany and Turkey,

The Edge of Heaven is a riveting

look into the lives of six

people whose stories

become interwoven through

happenstance and tragedy.

These characters include

Lotte, an idealistic German

university student and Ayten,

a young Turkish woman who



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*directed by Lee
Graham (USA, 2007,
5 min.)*

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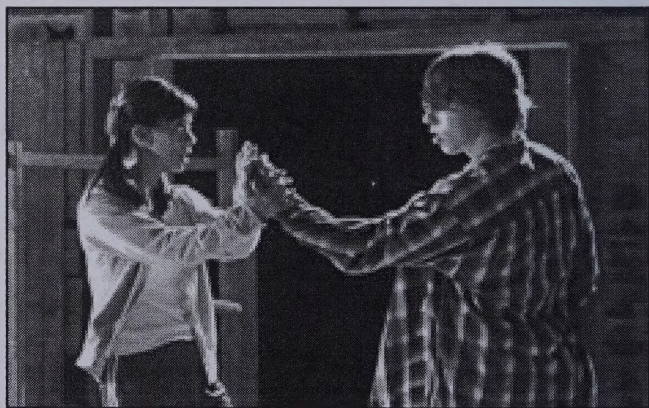
sensei and teaches
McClain how to kick
ass. Written and
directed by veteran
stunt-actress and
martial artist D.
Lee Inosanto, who
also stars as Karen,
this film creates
a gripping tale of
triumph within a

society plagued by different forms
of bigotry and misunderstanding.
Filmmakers and actors, including
D. Lee Inosanto and Gina Scalzi
will be in attendance.

Feature Film: The Sensei

*directed by D. Lee Inosanto,
(US, 2007, 103
min.)*

Living in a small
Colorado town,
McClain is a high
school student
bullied for being
gay. He meets
Karen, a martial
arts expert, who
becomes his



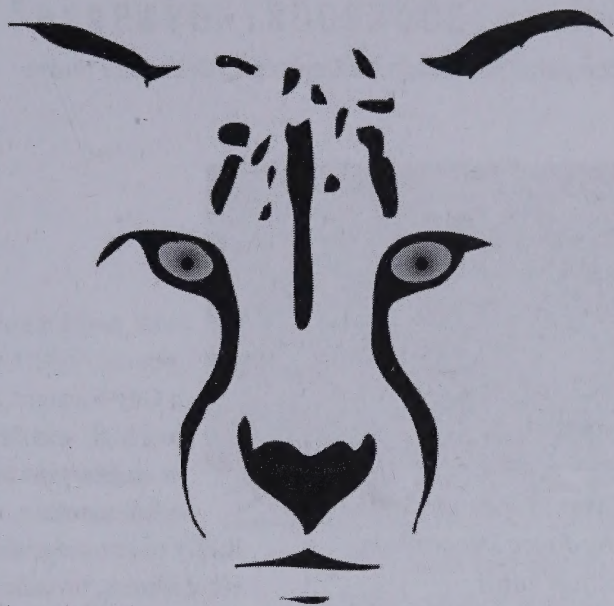
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*directed by Joyce Draganosky
(USA, 2007, 8 min.)*

Beth is in for a surprise when she meets her son's new girlfriend.

Feature Film: Tru Loved

*directed by Stewart Wade (USA,
2008, 99 min.)*

Tru moves with her two moms from the comfortable trappings of San Francisco to a southern California suburb. When she starts dating the star quarterback, she discovers he's another closet case. She starts

a Gay-Straight Alliance at her high school. *Tru Loved* is an examination of one adolescent's courageous

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Short Film: Pat's First Kiss
directed by Pat Mills (Canada, 2007, 4 min.)

The true story of the filmmaker's first kiss with a stranger he met overseas is told with animated delight.

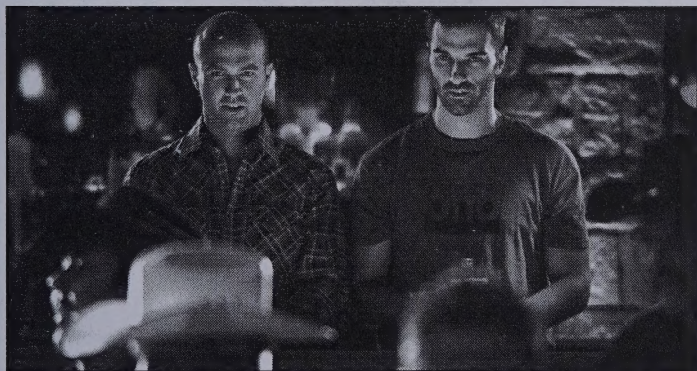


Feature Film: Ciao *directed by Yen Tan (USA, 2007, 87 min.) in English, Italian and Mandarin with English subtitles)*

Before the story starts, Mark suddenly dies in a car wreck and his best friend Jeff has to tie up all the loose ends. In perusing Mark's computer, Jeff discovers there is a

surprise: Mark had met on-line, a hot Italian, named Andrea, and he's coming to Texas to meet Mark for the first time. Jeff becomes curious and decides to invite Andrea to come to Texas. Ciao explores our longing to connect in a transient world. Quiet cinematography, spare music, and smart, natural writing combine to create an

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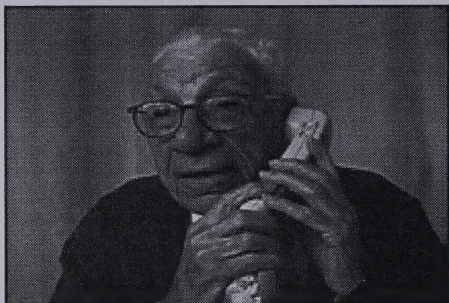


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Short Film: Hello, My Name Is Herman

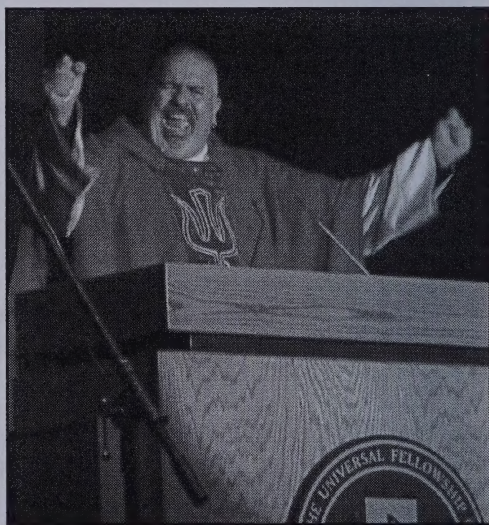
*directed by Karine Silverwoman
(Canada, 2007, 10 min.)*

Poignantly and humorously, this short film describes the relationship between a 91 year-old Jewish man, his lesbian granddaughter and her girlfriend.

Feature Film: Call Me Troy
directed by Scott Bloom (USA, 2007, 100 min.)

Profiling the life and times of one of the gay community's most visible and tenacious advocates for change, *Call Me Troy* is an inspirational story about a remarkable and dynamic individual whose activism was decades ahead of its time. The founder of the Metropolitan

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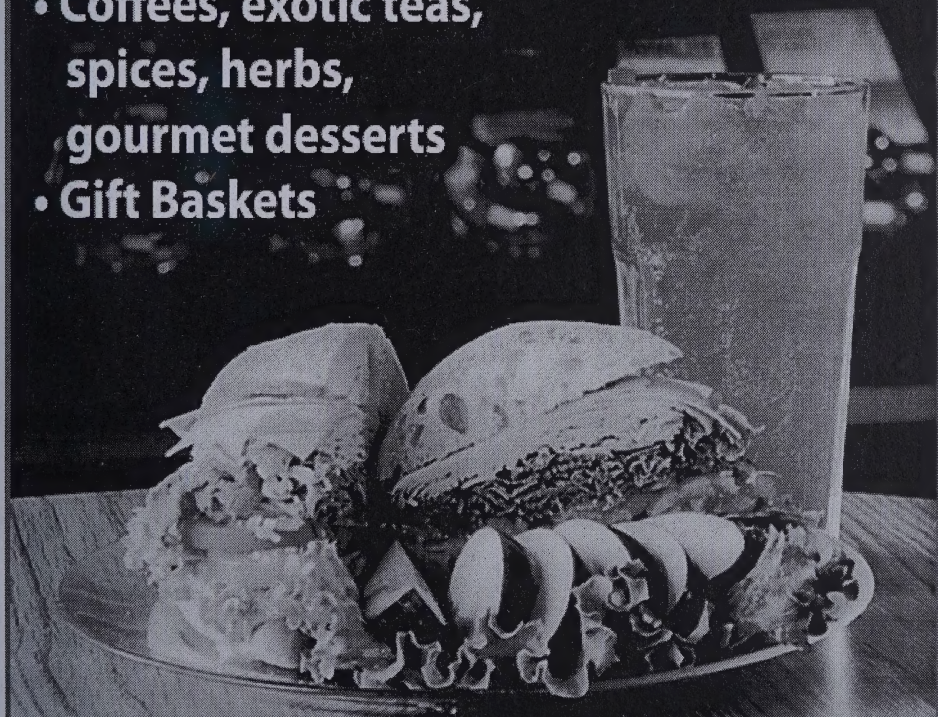
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SEPTEMBER 21, 2008: 2:30 P.M.

Armstrong Hall, Colorado College

**Short Film:
Babysitting
Andy**

*directed by
Pat Mills*

(Canada, 2007, 11 min.)

When her uncle and his boyfriend, both in wheel chairs, arrive to babysit, Andy is not on her best behavior and gives them quite a surprise.

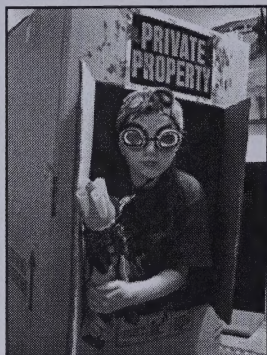
Feature Film: Ready? OK!

*directed by James Vasquez (USA,
2008, 91 min.)*

An adorably outgoing 10-year-old boy, Joshua, decides to try out for the cheerleading squad at a Catholic school, and has a litany of hilarious conflicts with cruel classmates, furious nuns, and his flustered mom (Carrie Peterson of *Desperate Housewives*) who wishes her

son were on the wrestling team. Advice from their gay neighbor Charlie (Michael Emerson, the favorite villian of *Lost*) helps mom strip away her illusions and embrace Joshua's individuality. With comical performances and a healthy dash of wacky farce, this film explores a family on the verge of either destruction or elevation. The perfect cheer may be what it takes to figure it out.

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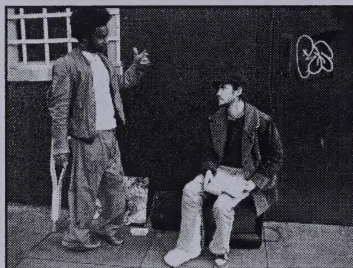
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Short Film:

Sunspots

*directed by Maria
Breux (USA, 2008,
10 min)*

A book, passed between strangers,
leads to unexpected connections.



Amina scandalizes
her Indian
community by
wearing men's clothes
and having female

Feature Film:

The World Unseen

*directed by Shamin Sharif
(UK, 2007, 103 min.)*

1950's apartheid South Africa is
an unlikely place to be free. Yet,

lovers while running a successful
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who is in a traditional marriage,
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In Memoriam

Jacquelyn "Jackie" Beyer

Born: July 11, 1924 Left Us: July 22, 2008

Jackie earned a bachelor's degree in journalism in 1944 and a master's degree in geography in 1954, both from CU-Boulder. In 1957, she became one of the first women to earn a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Chicago.

She helped found the UCCS geography and environmental studies department in 1970 as an associate professor. She was named full professor in 1972 and served as department chair from 1970-76 and from 1980-84. Jackie was named professor emerita in 1990. In 1993, Jackie initiated, and continued to endow, the Women in Geography Scholarship for students.

Jackie's lifelong interests in ecological, environmental and habitat issues were reflected in the courses she taught, including physical geography, global issues-peace/war and world conflict areas.

Jackie traveled extensively, including a trip to South Africa in 1995 to revisit that country post-apartheid, and a trip to Antarctica at the age of 80.

Jackie was a pioneer for the LGBT community in the Pikes Peak Region. Her voice and her passion were forever unwavering, and her contributions to the community went above and beyond. Her long-time activism helped to shape the Pride Center, and as the founder the Pride Center's historic library, her work continues to touch many lives.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2008: 7:45P.M.

Fabulous Closing Party at *Metropolis*, 1201 W. Colorado Ave.



Short Film: No Bikini

directed by Claudia Morgado

Escanilla (Canada, 2007, 9 min.)

A seven-year-old finds unexpected freedom during summer swimming lessons. Winner of the Audience Award, SFILGBTFF for Best Short, 2008.

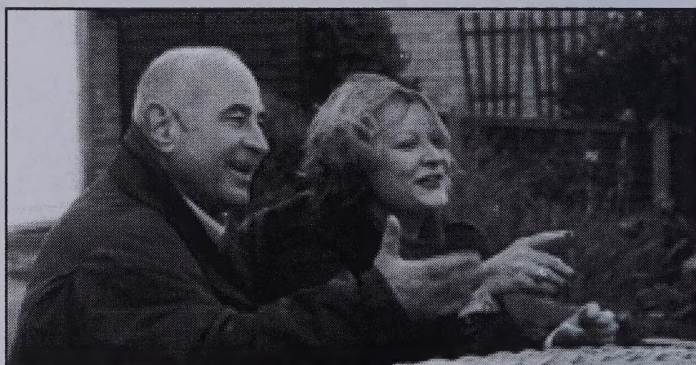
Feature Film: Ruby Blue

directed by Jan Dunn (UK, 2007, 108 min.)

A depressed English widower, Bob Hoskins, and a transgender, transplanted Frenchwoman, Josiane Blasko (who plays the butch dyke in *French Twist*)

deliver command performances in this story of friendship, ostracism and acceptance.

Wounded but wise, their friendship becomes the catalyst for personal and communal awakening in this working-class neighborhood of a picturesque, conservative, seaside town. *Ruby Blue* is an uplifting parable of freedom and the possibility of reinventing oneself at any age.

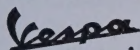


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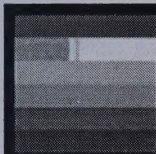
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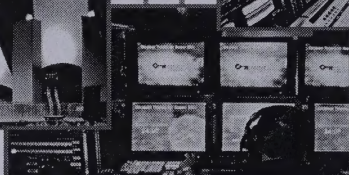
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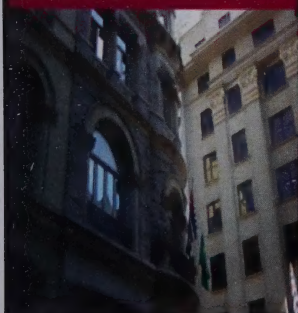
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